

## On The Go .....

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## Welcome I.D.L.A Staff

We are pleased to welcome our two VISTA volunteers: Carolina Manjarrez and Heather Stanley. They have committed to serve 1 year with the Division of Latino Affairs to better serve the Latino community in Iowa. We also welcome Oliva Orozco, an Iowa State student, who is fulfilling an internship with the agency through December. For more information on staff click [here](#).



L to R: Carolina Manjarrez, Oliva Orozco, Heather Stanley

## New Commissioners Named

New Commissioners of Latino Affairs were appointed on July 1, 2009 by Governor Chester Culver and Lieutenant Patty Judge. The Commission is a division of the Iowa Department of Human Rights. The nine-member Commission is appointed by the Governor and shall meet no less than six times a year. These commission members shall serve for terms of two years commencing July 1 of each odd-numbered year. The Division of Latino Affairs is legislatively mandated to promote and advocate for Iowa Latinos under Iowa Code Section 216A. 12.

Four commissioners have been reappointed: Paula A. Martinez of Carlisle, Sal Alaniz of Mt. Pleasant, Nancy Dykstra of Hull, and Felipe Gallardo of Des Moines. New appointed commissioners are: Norma Azpeitia of Sioux City, Ruben Castillo of Coralville, Juan (Himar) Hernández Santana of Ottumwa, Joan Jaimes of Marshalltown, and Sandra Sanchez-Naert of Granger.

To contact your commissioner on issues or concerns, please click [here](#).

## Let Us Hear From You

To better serve our constituents across the state and the Latino community we represent, the Division of Latino Affairs is currently working on a state-wide directory. This directory will provide information on: education, legal services, arts, workforce, community service organization, etc. To assist us, please complete our [Information Request Form](#) and pass the word to others.

### Upcoming Events

- [HOLA Legal Clinic](#)  
August 10, 2009 5:30 - 7:30p.m.
- [Community Immigration Forum](#)  
August 12, 2009—Marshalltown
- [Consulate of Mexico](#)  
August 15, 2009 in Davenport
- [Latino Heritage Festival](#)  
September 19 - 20, 2009
- [Iowa Latino Conference](#)  
Oct. 9, 2009—GrandView University
- [Iowa Youth Congress](#)  
Annual Session  
November 13 - 14, 2009

### Educate Yourself

- [Senate Confirms Judge Sonia Sotomayor as Supreme Court Justice](#)
- [Report on Immigration Home Raid Operations](#)
- [Guatemala: A Tale of Two Villages](#)



Iowa Division of Latino Affairs: On the Go newsletter will be sent monthly with up-to-date information on the agency, activities and upcoming events to keep our constituents informed. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact us.

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